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ANNUAL REPORT
OF
BOARD OF WATER WELL CONTRACTORS

TO THE
GOVERNOR OF MONTANA
HONORABLE FORREST H. ANDERSON

FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 1972

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State of Montana
Water Well Contractors' Examining Board
STATE CAPITOL
HELENA, MONTANA

October 25, 1972

The Honorable Forrest H. Anderson
Governor of the State of Montana
Capitol Building
Helena, Montana 59601

Dear Governor Anderson:

In accordance with the requirements of Section 82-4002 R.C.M. 1947,
there is herewith transmitted to you the report of the Montana
State Board of Water Well Contractors covering the fiscal year
ended June 30, 1972.

Respectfully submitted,
Grant W. Buswell

Grant W. Buswell
Chairman

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LEGAL REFERENCES

The Board of Water Well Contractors operates under the authority of Section 66-2601 through 66-2615 inclusive, R.C.M. 1947.

In Section 82A-1602 (26) the name of the Board was changed from the Water Well Contractors Examining Board to the Board of Water Well Contractors.

PRINCIPAL GOALS

The goal of the Board of Water Well Contractors is to minimize and reduce the waste of ground water resources, by licensing and regulation of water well contractors.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

During the 1971-72 fiscal year two Board meetings were held. There was an election of officers, and a new examination was formulated.

A new inspector was hired to replace the present inspector, who is retiring.

MAJOR RECOMMENDATIONS

There be two new members added to the Board, preferably from the drilling industry.

The Boards jurisdiction be widened to cover all water wells, not just those over twenty-five feet in depth.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Licensing: License only qualified applicants who meet the legal requirements and pass the written examination.

Examinations may be taken any day in the Board office starting before 9:00 A.M. or 2:00 P.M.

Regulation: Inspection of well drilling rigs to insure enforcement of the rules and regulations of the Board of Water Well Contractors in the public interest.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Factor	FY 1971-72	FY 1970-71
New Licenses Issued	16	18
Renewal Licenses Issued	145	137
Board Meetings	2	1
Examinations	16	19

PROGRAM COST SUMMARY

Licensing and Regulation	<u>\$4918.00</u>	<u>\$5259.00</u>
Personal Services	1165.00	1012.00
Operating Expenses	<u>3753.00</u>	<u>4247.00</u>
 TOTAL BY OBJECT	 <u>4918.00</u>	 <u>5259.00</u>
 Earmarked Revenue Fund	 <u>4918.00</u>	 <u>5259.00</u>

